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Edward J. Fitzpatrick of Hughes Communications Galaxy, Inc., Andrew Strodtbeck of Hughes Space and Communications Company and the undersigned representative of Hughes Communications Galaxy, Inc. met on July 6, 1995 with the following Commission representatives: Ruth Milkman, Gregory L. Rosston, Jill Luckett, David R. Siddall, Mary P. McManus, Scott Blake Harris, Lisa B. Smith, Rudolfo M. Baca, Donald H. Gips, Mark A. Grannis and Cecily C. Holiday to discuss band segmentation proposals for the 28 GHz band. The enclosed materials formed the basis for those discussions.

An original and two copies of this letter are enclosed. Copies of this letter are being provided to the Commission representatives identified above.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

# Presentation to the Federal Communications Commission

28 GHz Resolution

Hughes Communications Galaxy, Inc.

July 6, 1995

# PROMPT RESOLUTION OF THE DOMESTIC 28 GHZ PROCEEDING IS CRITICAL TO HUGHES BUSINESS PLANS

- Hughes is actively pursuing international implementation of SPACEWAY proposal
- Resolution of 28 GHz proceeding requires reasonable burdens borne by all parties
- Current staff proposal hinges on sharing between GSO and non-GSO feeder links
  - Hughes has worked for over 6 months on this sharing issue
    - non-GSOs have rejected HC proposal as unworkable
  - Staff proposal for GSO/non-GSO sharing will prevent implementation of Hughes Spaceway system as proposed
    - restricting 250 MHz (29.1-29.25) to non-VSATs is fundamentally inconsistent with Spaceway system design
  - SPACEWAY business plan is not feasible without access to 1000 MHz of spectrum by small antennas

### **HUGHES CONCERNS WITH CURRENT STAFF PROPOSAL**

## **Primary Issue**

- No feasible solution to GSO/non-GSO sharing problem except for "reverse band working"
  - reverse band working possible at 19.4--19.7 GHz or 18.4-18.6 GHz
    - consistent with basic framework of staff proposal for 27.5--29.5 GHz

## Secondary Issues

- Resolution of Motorola downlink band concerns through "nonstandard" uplink/downlink band pairing
- Restrictive power limits at 18.6-18.8 GHz
- LMDS grandfathering at 27.35--27.5 GHz during period when GSO systems are likely to be in commercial operation (1998-on)

### 28 GHz RESOLUTION SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

- Revised FCC Staff proposal prevents implementation of SPACEWAY in U.S. market
- Hughes proposed solution spreads burden of segmentation plan and allows all proposed systems to operate

# Original FCC Staff Proposal (Including "Natural" Paired Downlinks)

UPLINK		DOWNLINK
27.5	SERVICES	17.7
28.35 or ———	LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO and GSO)	18.55
28.45	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (GSO)	18.65
28.85	LMDS grandfathered at 28.35-28.5 for 5 years before non-GSO system likely to operate	
28.83		19.05
29.1	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO)	
29.1		19.3
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO MSS Feeder Links) LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE	
29.25		19.45
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO MSS Feeder Links)	
29.5		19.7
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO)	
30.0 ———		20.2

Lowercase = Secondary

#### PRIMARY HUGHES ISSUE:

No feasible solution for GSO/non-GSO sharing at 29.25-29.5/19.45-19.7 other than "reverse band working" by non-GSO systems in the downlink band

## Revised FCC Staff Proposal (Including "Natural" Paired Downlinks)

UPLINK		DOMNII THE
UPLINK	SERVICES	DOWNLINK
27.5 ———		17.7
28.35	LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO and GSO)	18.55
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO)	
28.6 ——		18.8
29.1	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (GSO)	19.3
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO MSS Feeder Links) LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE	13.5
29.25 ——		19.45
29.5	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO MSS Feeder Links)	19.7
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO)	
30.0		20.2

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#### PRIMARY HUGHES ISSUES:

- (1) No feasible solution for GSO/non-GSO sharing at 29.25-29.5/19.45-19.7 other than "reverse band working" by non-GSO systems in the downlink band
- (2) Grandfathering LMDS at 28.35-28.5 GHz during period when GSO systems likely to be in operation in that band (1998-on)
- (3) Restrictive power limits at 18.6--18.8 GHz

## Proposed Solution to Hughes Issues Including Non-Standard Paired Downlinks

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	SERVICES	
27.5	LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO and GSO)	17.7
28.35		18.55
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO)	
28.6	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GS0) Fixed-Satellite Service (GSO)	18.8
29.1 —		19.3 19.425
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (non-GSO MSS Feeder Links) (Motorola) LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE	19.423
29.25		19.575
	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO)	19.3
	Non-GSO MSS feeder links (TRW) operate only in the reverse direction at either 18.4-18.6 or 19.4-19.7 on a primary basis in that direction	to 19.425 and 19.575 to
29.5 —		19.7
20.0 —	FIXED-SATELLITE SERVICE (GSO) Fixed-Satellite Service (non-GSO)	
30.0 —		20.2

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